



**Small, Minority, and Women-Owned Business Commission (SMWBC)**

**Thursday, August 27, 2015 3:00 p.m.**

**City Hall, Mayor and Council Chambers**

**255 W. Alameda St.**

**Tucson, AZ**

**Minutes for 08/27/2015**

**1. Call to Order/Roll Call**

Meeting called to order by Patricia Richardson at 3:15 p.m. Those present and absent were:

**Members Present:**

**Patricia Richardson**

Tana Fryer

Barney Hilton Murray

Susan Alexander

Coralie Satta

Doug Jackson

Ronnie Reyna

Rebecca Safford

**Chairperson, Mayor's Office**

Representative, Ward 1

Representative, Ward 2

Representative, Ward 3

Representative, Ward 3

Representative, Ward 4

Representative, Ward 5

Representative, Ward 6

**Absent:**

Shani Stewart

Jason Tankersley

Brian Becksted

Sheldon Fishman

Ken Goodman

Representative, Ward 1

Vice Chair, Ward 2

Representative, Ward 5

Representative, Ward 6

Non-Voting

**Others Present:**

Allison

Andy Squire

Traci Shepherd

Councilman Steve Kozachik office

Economic Development Specialist

AA, Department of Procurement

**2. Call to the Audience**

None in attendance

**3. Approval of Minutes – Patty Richardson**

Motion to approve: April passed 8 – 0 June passed 8 - 0

**4. Chairperson's Update – Patty Richardson**

Spoke with Marion Hook regarding Short Term rental issues, she will keep us updated.

Discussion was held, no action taken.

**5. Impact Fees Discussion / Review – Andy Squire**

Discussion ensued regarding the following: Review of what impact fees are and how they are applied. An impact fee on a new construction residential home can be anywhere from \$1500 - \$3000. Benefit areas: police and fire are the whole City. Streets, Parks, Schools, etc. these impact fees apply to the specific benefit area. Consultants are utilized to help be competitive and compliant to the laws.

Mayor and Council in 2004 adopted an ordinance for impact fees for roads and parks. In August 2007 and ordinance was adopted for police, fire and public facilities impact fees. In January 2012, revised statute (9463.05) of the State of Arizona became effective. August 2014 Mayor and Council adopted our land use assumptions and infrastructure improvements plans that are required by law and code. October 2014 Mayor and Council adopted the new impact fee ordinance and December 2014 the City started collecting fees. From inception to date, our development impact fees are shown, revenues, expenditures and fund balance. \$40 million in roads, expenditures of 15 million and the fund balance is approx. \$22 million. Further numbers referenced in the power point handout. Fund balances are dedicated to projects underway or in review. Question regarding: are funds dedicated to the specific projects? Andy to find out details.

Discussion was held, no action taken.

**6. Letter for Marion Hook – Patty Richardson**

Draft thank you letter to Marion Hook, former chairperson.

**Motion** made by Tana to draft letter to Marion Hook. Second by Rebecca. Passed 8- 0

**7. Economic Development Update – Andy Squire**

- Maingate Hotel incentive, new Residence Inn, student housing plaza area
- Stone Ave townhomes, market rate homes (25)
- 1 West Broadway, 45,000 sqft, apartments/townhomes
- AC Marriott, construction starting up again
- Johnny Gibson market doing well
- The Independent Distillery, opening soon.
- City has put together 18 different incentive packages, 3428 jobs, jobs over \$52,400 = 443, Capitol investment so far of \$336.45 million, economic impact of \$2.8 billion.
- Home Good and fulfillment centers.
- Workforce development, \$600K every year. 15 contracts on 2 year funding cycle.
- Annexation of the Auto Mall area. Limberlost and Fairview.
- Small Business Line: 3-5 calls per day. Business Lic calls referred to Business License, due to confidentiality and no access to database. Less calls on how to set up a business questions.
- International Trade with JP – Working with local manufacturers on supply chain opportunities in Mexico. Project with Pima County with Visit Tucson to promote medical tourism. UofA and Mexican consulate on establishing small business workshops.
- Live/Work space issues. Zoning?

Discussion was held, no action taken.

**8. Short Term Rental Update – Andy Squire**

Mayor created a task force. PC assessor sent out notice of evaluation and they became commercial property, going from 10% to 18%. Air BnB 700 in city limits, Home away 200 in city limits, expands to 2000+ if include county.

Discussion was held, no action taken.

**9. Small Business Survey Update – Andy Squire**

Internet issues, did not bring to this meeting. About ready to launch.

Discussion was held, no action taken.

**10. Discussion and Scheduling of Future Agenda Items – Patty Richardson**

- Impact fees – staff invite to answer questions
- International trade specialist – Juan Padre
- Parking information – Oct meeting?
- Water Shed mgmt. – Water Harvesting presentation?
- Letter to JTED – small business issues
- Holiday calendar
- Discuss role of SMWBC & City: definition of business assistance – October meeting?
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Discussion held, no action taken.

**11. Pima County Small Business Commission Update – Ken Goodman**

Ken absent

No discussion was held, no action taken.

**12. Commission Member Updates**

- Susan: Extension of time for feedback for Community Character and Vitality Corridor Vision document. A vision for the Grant Road Corridor.
- Tana: No update
- Rebecca: No update
- Barney: No update
- Doug: No update
- Ronnie: R. Fimbres attending the Hispanic Women's commission dinner, Sept 12 Car show & Nov 14 Battle of the Badges.
- Patti: No update
- Coralie: No update

Discussion was held, no action taken.

**13. Call to the Audience**

None in attendance

**14. Adjournment** Meeting adjourned at 4:59 PM. Call to Adjourn: Susan – 2<sup>nd</sup> Doug 8-0

NOTE: It is the intent of these meeting minutes to get to the general meaning of the discussion, summarize what happened, and record official actions. The minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcription of all that was said.